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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2642

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Our Case No. 8285/238

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Maropis et al.)
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Serial No. 09/417,266) Examiner R. Foster
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Filing Date: October 12, 1999) Group Art Unit No. 2645
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR)
PROVIDING PRE-PAID LOCAL)
TELEPHONE SERVICES)

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Box AF
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 10, 2001, please enter the
following amendment, and consider the following remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 8, 14 and 16 to read as follows: